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SUBJ: DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST CONTINUED AMERICAN PRESENCE AT

INCIRLIK AIR BASE

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1. AS APPARENT FIRST STEPS IN IMPLEMENTATION OF PROTEST MARCH PLANS
REPORTED REFTEL, ABOUT 40 DEMONSTRATORS FROM THE TARSUS REFORMIST
YOUTH ORGANIZATION MET AT TARSUS ON 25 AUG. AFTER LISTENING TO
A SPEECH BY OLD-TIME LEFTIST LEADER MEHMET ALI AYBAR, CALLING FOR

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THE ESTABLISHMENT THROUGHOUT TURKEY OF PEOPLE'S INDEPENDENCE COM-
ITTEES, THE DEMONSTRATORS CARRYING PLACARDS READING "DOWN WITH
AMERICAN IMPERIALISM", "GOVERNMENT RESIGN" AND "THE GOVERNMENT ARE
MURDERERS" MARCHED TO THE TARSUS ATATURK MONUMENT WHERE THEY
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BURNED AN AMERICAN FLAG. AT SAME TIME, WE HAVE RECEIVED REPORTS

THAT ON MORNING OF 26 AUG ANOTHER GROUP OF BETWEEN 100 AND 150 DEMONSTRATORS PASSED THROUGH ISKENDERUN ENROUTE ADANA.

2. LEFTIST CUMHURIHET 26 AUG EDITION REPORTS THAT THE "INCIRLIK MARCH FOR A FULLY INDEPENDENT TURKEY" WILL BEGIN TODAY, BACKED BY THE VARIOUS GROUPS DITED REFTEL, AS WELL AS ANOTHER GROUP ORGANIZED BY THE 300 MADEN IS WORKDERS ON STRIKE AT CUMITAS, IN TARSUS. ONE MARCH WILL FOLLOW THE ISKENDERUN-DORTYOL-CEYHAN-ADANA ROAD (PASSING BY INCIRLIK). THE OTHER THE MERSIN-TARSUS-ADANA ROAD. THE ORGANIZATIONS HAVE ANNOUNCED PLANS TO LAY A WREATH AT ATATURK PARK IN ADANA, ON 30 AUG, AND THEN PROTEST IN FRONT OF THE AMERICAN CONSULATE, NEARBY. AFTERWARD THEY PLAN AN "INDEPENDENCE" MEETING AND THEN A MARCH TO INCIRLIK FOR A FURTHER PROTEST. THE DEMONSTRATORS ARE THEN TO DISPERSE. CUMHURIYET GOES ON TO REPORT THAT THE ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED IN THE MARCH HAVE ISSUED AN "INVITATIONAL STATEMENT" IN WHICH THEY ATTACKED BOTH THE USA AND THE

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USSR, AS WELL AS NATO AND THE WARSAW PACT, AND SIDED WITH THE THIRD WORLD.

3. NOTWITHSTANDING EARLIER ASSURANCE THAT THERE WOULD BE NO DEMONSTRATIONS OR MARCHES IN ADANA (REFTEL), ADANA FIRST SECTION POLICE CHIEF HAS CONFIRMED TO ME THE ESSENTIAL ACCURACY OF THE CUMHURIYET REPORT OF THE DEMONSTRATORS PLANS, AND HAS ESTIMATED THAT NOT MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED DEMONSTRATORS WOULD PARTICIPATE. HE STATED THAT AT A MEETING WITH THE GOVERNOR THIS MORNING THEY HAD DECIDED TO PLACE BETWEEN TEN AND THIRTY ADDITIONAL UNIFORMED POLICE TO GUARD THE CONSULATE AND TURKISH-AMERICAN ASSOCIATION BUILDINGS AND TO DISPATCH SPECIAL MOBILE POLICE UNITS TO THE AREA OF ADANA WHERE MOST AMERICANS LIVE. HE ADDED THAT NOT ONLY THE GENDARMES BUT THE SIXTH ARMY CORPS WOULD BE STANDING BY. WHILE ALL NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS WERE BEING TAKEN, HE STATED THAT IT WAS INCONCEIVABLE THAT THE DEMONSTRATORS WOULD BE FOOLISH ENOUGH TO ATTEMPT TO ENTER INCIRLIK CDL.

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